

# THE REZNICHENKO PROPERTY AND THE PYTKEEV PROPERTY IN HYPERSPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** We investigate two closure-type properties, the Reznichenko property and the Pytkeev property, in hyperspace topologies.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $X$  be a space (we suppose that all spaces are Hausdorff). For a subset  $A$  of  $X$  and a family  $\mathcal{A}$  of subsets of  $X$  we put  $A^c = X \setminus A$  and  $\mathcal{A}^c = \{A^c : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . By  $2^X$  we denote the family of all closed subsets of  $X$ . If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ , then we write

$$\begin{aligned} A^- &= \{F \in 2^X : F \cap A \neq \emptyset\}, \\ A^+ &= \{F \in 2^X : F \subset A\}. \end{aligned}$$

There are many known topologies on  $2^X$ . The most popular among them is the Vietoris topology  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}^- \vee \mathbf{V}^+$ , where the *lower Vietoris topology*  $\mathbf{V}^-$  is generated by all sets  $A^-$ ,  $A \subset X$  open, and the *upper Vietoris topology*  $\mathbf{V}^+$  is generated by sets  $B^+$ ,  $B$  open in  $X$ .

Let  $\Delta$  be a subset of  $2^X$ . Then the *upper  $\Delta$ -topology*, denoted by  $\Delta^+$  (and first studied in abstract in [19] and then in [5]), is the topology whose subbase is the collection

$$\{(D^c)^+ : D \in \Delta\} \cup \{2^X\}.$$

We consider only such subsets  $\Delta$  of  $2^X$  which are **closed for finite unions** and **contain all singletons**. In that case the above collection is a base for  $\Delta^+$  because we have

$$(D_1^c)^+ \cap (D_2^c)^+ = (D_1^c \cap D_2^c)^+ = ((D_1 \cup D_2)^c)^+ \text{ and } D_1 \cup D_2 \in \Delta.$$

Two important special cases, in which we are especially interested in this paper, are  $\Delta = \mathbb{F}(X)$  – the family of all finite subsets of  $X$ , and  $\Delta = \mathbb{K}(X)$  – the collection of compact subsets of  $X$ . The  $\mathbb{F}(X)^+$ -topology will be denoted by  $\mathbf{Z}^+$  and the  $\mathbb{K}(X)^+$ -topology by  $\mathbf{F}^+$ . The  $\mathbf{F}^+$ -topology is known as the

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*upper Fell topology* (or the *co-compact topology*) [10]. The *Fell topology*  $F$  on  $2^X$  is the topology  $V^- \vee F^+$ .

We investigate two closure type properties of  $2^X$ , the Reznichenko property and the Pytkeev property, which are intermediate between sequentiality and the countable tightness property that have been studied in [4] and [12].

Let us fix some terminology and notation that we need.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be sets whose members are families of subsets of an infinite set  $X$ . Then (see [24], [14]):

$S_1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  denotes the selection principle:

For each sequence  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of elements of  $\mathcal{A}$  there is a sequence  $(b_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  such that for each  $n$   $b_n \in A_n$ , and  $\{b_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an element of  $\mathcal{B}$ .

$S_{fin}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  denotes the selection hypothesis:

For each sequence  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of elements of  $\mathcal{A}$  there is a sequence  $(B_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of finite sets such that for each  $n$   $B_n \subset A_n$ , and  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n$  is an element of  $\mathcal{B}$ .

If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a family of subsets of a space  $X$  then an open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  is called a  $\mathcal{C}$ -cover if each  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  is contained in an element of  $\mathcal{U}$ .  $\mathbb{F}(X)$ -covers and  $\mathbb{K}(X)$ -covers are customarily called  $\omega$ -covers and  $k$ -covers, respectively. We suppose that  $\mathcal{C}$ -covers we consider are non-trivial, i.e. that  $X$  does not belong to the cover.

For a topological space  $X$  and a point  $x \in X$  we denote:

1.  $OC$  – the family of (open)  $\mathcal{C}$ -covers of  $X$ .
2.  $\Omega$  – the family of  $\omega$ -covers of  $X$ .
3.  $\mathcal{K}$  – the family of  $k$ -covers of  $X$ .
4.  $\Omega_x = \{A \subset X : x \in \overline{A} \setminus A\}$ .

We also need the notion of groupability (see [17]).

A countable  $\mathcal{C}$ -cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of a space  $X$  is *groupable* if there is a partition  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  into pairwise disjoint finite sets such that for each  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ , for all but finitely many  $n$  there is a  $U \in \mathcal{U}_n$  such that  $C \subset U$ . A countable set  $A \in \Omega_x$  is *groupable* if there is a partition  $(B_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $A$  into finite sets such that each neighborhood of  $x$  has nonempty intersection with all but finitely many  $B_n$ .

Let us denote:

5.  $OC^{gp}$  – the family of groupable  $\mathcal{C}$ -covers of  $X$ .
6.  $\Omega^{gp}$  – the family of groupable  $\omega$ -covers of  $X$ .
7.  $\mathcal{K}^{gp}$  – the family of groupable  $k$ -covers of  $X$ .
8.  $\Omega_x^{gp}$  – the family of groupable elements of  $\Omega_x$ .

Let us mention that considering the space  $2^X$ ,  $\Delta \subset 2^X$  and  $S \in 2^X$  we shall use the symbol  $\Delta_S^+$  to denote  $\Omega_S$  with respect to  $\Delta^+$ -topology on  $2^X$ . We use  $\Omega_S$  and  $\mathcal{K}_S$  studying the  $Z^+$ - and  $F^+$ -topology on  $2^X$ . Similarly for  $(\Delta_S^+)^{gp}$ ,  $\Omega_S^{gp}$  and  $\mathcal{K}_S^{gp}$ .

## 2. THE REZNICHENKO PROPERTY

In 1996, Reznichenko introduced (in a seminar at Moscow State University) the following property for a space  $X$ : For each  $A \subset X$  and each  $x \in \overline{A} \setminus A$  there is a countable infinite family  $\mathcal{A}$  of finite pairwise disjoint subsets of  $A$  such that each neighborhood of  $x$  meets all but finitely many elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ . It is the same as to say that each countable element of  $\Omega_x$  is a member of  $\Omega_x^{gp}$ . This property was studied further in [18] (under the name *weakly Fréchet-Urysohn*), [9]. In [16] and [17] this property was called the *Reznichenko property* and function spaces  $C_p(X)$  having this property were studied (see also [23]). In [15] this property was considered in function spaces  $C_k(X)$ .

Evidently, if a space  $X$  has the Reznichenko property then it has countable tightness.

Here we investigate the Reznichenko property in hyperspaces.

**Theorem 1.** *For a space  $X$  and a family  $\Delta \subset 2^X$  (closed for finite unions and containing all singletons) the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, \Delta^+)$  has the Reznichenko property;
- (2) For each open set  $Y \subset X$  and each open  $\Delta$ -cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $Y$  there is a sequence  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of finite pairwise disjoint subsets of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that each  $D \in \Delta$  belongs to some  $U \in \mathcal{U}_n$  for all but finitely many  $n$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $Y$  be an open subset of  $X$  and let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open  $\Delta$ -cover of  $Y$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} := \mathcal{U}^c$  is a subset of  $2^X$  and  $Y^c \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A})$ . Indeed, let  $D \in \Delta$  be a subset of  $Y$ . There is a  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $D \subset U \subset Y$  and thus  $Y^c \subset U^c \subset D^c$ , i.e.  $U^c \in (D^c)^+$  and  $Y^c \in (D^c)^+$ . So,  $Y^c \in (D^c)^+ \cap \mathcal{A}$ , that is  $Y^c \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A})$ . Apply (1) to find a sequence  $(\mathcal{A}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of finite pairwise disjoint subsets of  $\mathcal{A}$  such that each  $\Delta^+$ -neighborhood of  $Y^c$  intersects  $\mathcal{A}_n$  for all but finitely many  $n$ . For each  $n$  let  $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{A}_n^c$ . The sets  $\mathcal{U}_n \subset \mathcal{U}$  are pairwise disjoint (because  $\mathcal{A}_n$ 's are) and witness for  $\mathcal{U}$  that  $Y$  satisfies (2). Let  $D \subset Y$  be an element from  $\Delta$ . Then  $(D^c)^+$  is a  $\Delta^+$ -neighborhood of  $Y^c$ , so that there is  $n_0$  such that  $(D^c)^+ \cap \mathcal{A}_n \neq \emptyset$  for each  $n > n_0$ . So, for each  $n > n_0$  there exists a set  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}_n$  with  $A_n \subset D^c$ , i.e.  $D \subset A_n^c \in \mathcal{U}_n$ . This means that (2) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a subset of  $2^X$  and  $S \in 2^X$  a point such that  $S \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A}) \setminus \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $\mathcal{U} := \mathcal{A}^c$  is a (non-trivial)  $\Delta$ -cover of the open set  $S^c \subset X$ . Apply (2) to  $S^c$  and  $\mathcal{U}$ . One can choose a sequence  $(\mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of finite pairwise disjoint subsets of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that for each  $D \subset Y$  belonging to  $\Delta$  for all but finitely many  $n$  there is a  $V \in \mathcal{V}_n$  with  $D \subset V$ . Let for each  $n$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_n = \mathcal{V}_n^c$ . Then the collection  $\{\mathcal{B}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  witnesses (1). Let  $(D^c)^+$  be a  $\Delta^+$ -neighborhood of  $S$ . Then  $S \subset D^c$  implies  $D \subset S^c$  so that there is  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n > m$  there exists a member  $B_n \in \mathcal{B}_n$  with  $D \subset B_n$ , and consequently  $B_n^c \in (D^c)^+$ . This shows that  $(D^c)^+ \cap \mathcal{B}_n \neq \emptyset$  for all but finitely many  $n$  and completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

In fact, we shall prove a general result regarding the Reznichenko property in hyperspaces.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $X$  be a space and let  $\Delta$  and  $\Sigma$  be subsets of  $2^X$  closed for finite unions and containing all singletons. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $2^X$  satisfies  $S_1(\Delta_A^+, (\Sigma_A^+)^{gp})$  for each  $A \in 2^X$ ;
- (2) Each open set  $Y \subset X$  satisfies  $S_1(O\Delta, O\Sigma^{gp})$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a sequence of  $\Delta$ -covers of  $Y$ . Then  $(\mathcal{U}_n^c : n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a sequence of subsets of  $2^X$  and  $Y^c \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{U}_n^c)$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Applying (1) we find a sequence  $(U_n^c : n \in \mathbb{N})$  such that for each  $n$   $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \{U_n^c : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \in (\Sigma_{Y^c}^+)^{gp}$ . There is a partition  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{F}_n$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  such that each  $\Sigma^+$ -neighborhood of  $Y^c$  meets all but finitely many sets  $\mathcal{F}_n$ . For each  $n$  let  $\mathcal{V}_n = \mathcal{F}_n^c$ . The sets  $\mathcal{V}_n$  are pairwise disjoint, finite subsets of  $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and show that this set is a groupable  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $Y$ . Let  $S \subset Y$  be a member of  $\Sigma$ . Then  $(S^c)^+$  is a  $\Sigma^+$ -neighborhood of  $Y^c$ , so that there is  $n_0$  such that  $(S^c)^+ \cap \mathcal{F}_n \neq \emptyset$  for each  $n > n_0$ . So, for each  $n > n_0$  there exists a set  $F_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$  which is a subset of  $S^c$ , i.e.  $S \subset F_n^c \in \mathcal{V}_n$ . This means that  $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a groupable  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $Y$ , hence (2) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $(\mathcal{A}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a sequence of subsets of  $2^X$  such that a point  $E \in 2^X$  belongs to  $Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A}_n) \setminus \mathcal{A}_n$  for each  $n$ . For each  $n$  put  $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{A}_n^c$ . Apply (2) to the open set  $E^c$  and the sequence  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $\Delta$ -covers of  $E^c$ . We choose a sequence  $(U_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  such that for each  $n$   $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$  and  $\mathcal{G} = \{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a groupable  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $E^c$ . Suppose that the partition  $\mathcal{G} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{G}_n$  witnesses groupability of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let for each  $n$ ,  $A_n = U_n^c \in \mathcal{A}_n$  and  $\mathcal{B}_n = \mathcal{G}_n^c$ . Then the collection  $\{\mathcal{B}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  witnesses that  $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a groupable element of  $\Sigma_E^+$ . Indeed, let  $(S^c)^+$  be a  $\Sigma^+$ -neighborhood of  $E$ . Then  $E \subset S^c$  implies  $S \subset E^c$  so that there is  $k$  such that for all  $n > k$  there exists a member  $G_n \in \mathcal{G}_n$  with  $S \subset G_n$ , and consequently  $G_n^c \in (S^c)^+$ . This shows that  $(S^c)^+ \cap \mathcal{B}_n \neq \emptyset$  for all but finitely many  $n$ .  $\square$

The condition (2) in this theorem can be called the  $(\Delta^+, \Sigma^+)$ -selectively Reznichenko property (of  $2^X$ ).

Let us recall that a space  $X$  is said to have *countable strong fan tightness* [22] if for each sequence  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of subsets of  $X$  and each  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{A_n}$  there is a sequence  $(x_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  such that for each  $n$   $x_n \in A_n$  and  $x \in \overline{\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}}$ , i.e. if for each  $x \in X$  the selection hypothesis  $S_1(\Omega_x, \Omega_x)$  is satisfied.

It was shown in [6] that  $(2^X, Z^+)$  (resp.  $(2^X, F^+)$ ) has countable strong fan tightness if and only if each open set  $Y \subset X$  satisfies  $S_1(\Omega, \Omega)$  (resp.  $S_1(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{K})$ ).

According to [17] a space  $X$  satisfies  $S_1(\Omega, \Omega^{gp})$  if and only if all finite powers of  $X$  have the *Gerlits-Nagy property* [11] (equivalently, the Hurewicz property as well as the Rothberger property). Recall that  $X$  has the *Rothberger property* [21] if it satisfies  $S_1(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O})$ , where  $\mathcal{O}$  is the family of open covers of  $X$ .  $X$  has the *Hurewicz property* [13] if for each sequence  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of open covers of  $X$  there is a sequence  $(\mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  such that for each  $n$   $\mathcal{V}_n$  is a finite subset of  $\mathcal{U}_n$  and each  $x \in X$  belongs to  $\cup \mathcal{V}_n$  for all but finitely many  $n$ .

Letting in Theorem 2  $\Delta = \Sigma = \mathbb{F}(X)$  (resp.  $\Delta = \Sigma = \mathbb{K}(X)$ ) we obtain the following two important corollaries.

**Corollary 3.** *For a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, Z^+)$  has the Reznichenko property and countable strong fan tightness;
- (2) If  $Y$  is an open subset of  $X$ , then all finite powers of  $Y$  have the Gerlits-Nagy property.

**Corollary 4.** *For a space  $X$  the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, F^+)$  has the Reznichenko property and countable strong fan tightness;
- (2) Each open set  $Y \subset X$  satisfies  $S_1(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{K}^{gp})$ .

Similarly to the proof of Theorem 2 we can prove

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $X$  be a space and let  $\Delta$  and  $\Sigma$  be subsets of  $2^X$  closed for finite unions and containing all singletons. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $2^X$  satisfies  $S_{fin}(\Delta_A^+, (\Sigma_A^+)^{gp})$  for each  $A \in 2^X$ ;
- (2) Each open set  $Y \subset X$  satisfies  $S_{fin}(O\Delta, O\Sigma^{gp})$ .

A space  $X$  is said to have *countable fan tightness* [1], [2] if for each  $x \in X$  it satisfies  $S_{fin}(\Omega_x, \Omega_x)$ , i.e. if whenever  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a sequence of subsets of  $X$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{A_n}$  there are finite sets  $B_n \subset A_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $x \in \overline{\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n}$ .

In [6] it was proved that  $(2^X, Z^+)$  (resp.  $(2^X, F^+)$ ) has countable fan tightness if and only if each open set  $Y \subset X$  satisfies  $S_{fin}(\Omega, \Omega)$  (resp.  $S_{fin}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{K})$ ). A result in [17] states that all finite powers of a space  $X$  have the Hurewicz property if and only if  $X$  belongs to the class  $S_{fin}(\Omega, \Omega)$ .

As the corollaries of Theorem 5 we have:

**Corollary 6.** *For a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, Z^+)$  has both the Reznichenko property and countable fan tightness;
- (2) If  $Y$  is an open subset of  $X$ , then each finite power of  $Y$  has the Hurewicz property.

**Corollary 7.** *For a space  $X$  the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, \mathcal{F}^+)$  has the Reznichenko property and countable fan tightness;
- (2) Each open set  $Y \subset X$  satisfies  $S_{fin}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{K}^{gp})$ .

### 3. THE PYTKEEV PROPERTY

A space  $X$  has the *Pytkeev property* if for each  $A \subset X$  and each  $x \in \overline{A \setminus \{x\}}$  there is a countable collection  $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of (countable) infinite subsets of  $A$  which is a  $\pi$ -network at  $x$ , i.e. each neighborhood of  $x$  contains some  $A_n$ . This property was introduced in [20] and then studied in [18] (where the name Pytkeev space was used) and [9]. Pytkeev's property in function spaces  $C_p(X)$  was studied in [23].

Every (sub)sequential space has the Pytkeev property [20, Lemma 2] and every Pytkeev space has the Reznichenko property [18, Corollary 1.2].

In this section we consider the Pytkeev property in hyperspaces with  $\Delta^+$ -topologies. We begin by the following general result.

**Theorem 8.** *If  $X$  is a space and  $\Delta$  and  $\Sigma$  subsets of  $2^X$  containing all singletons and closed for finite unions, then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $2^X$  has the  $(\Delta^+, \Sigma^+)$ -Pytkeev property, i.e. for each  $\mathcal{A} \subset 2^X$  and each  $S \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A} \setminus \{S\})$  there is a family  $\{\mathcal{B}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of countable infinite subsets of  $\mathcal{A}$  which is a  $\pi$ -network at  $S$  with respect to the  $\Sigma^+$ -topology.
- (2) For each open set  $Y \subset X$  and each  $\Delta$ -cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $Y$  there is a sequence  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of infinite subsets of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $\{\cap \mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a (not necessarily open)  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $Y$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a  $\Delta$ -cover of  $Y$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} := \{U^c : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is a subset of  $2^X$  and  $Y^c \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A})$ . Apply (1) to find a sequence  $(\mathcal{B}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of countable infinite subsets of  $\mathcal{A}$  such that the set  $\{\mathcal{B}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a  $\Sigma^+$ - $\pi$ -network at  $Y^c$ . For each  $n$  denote by  $\mathcal{U}_n$  the subset  $\{U : U^c \in \mathcal{B}_n\}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$ . We claim that  $\{\cap \mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $Y$ . For any  $S \subset Y$  with  $S \in \Sigma$ , the set  $(S^c)^+$  is a  $\Sigma^+$ -neighborhood of  $Y^c$  and therefore there is  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\mathcal{B}_m \subset (S^c)^+$ . Therefore, for each  $U^c \in \mathcal{B}_m$  we have  $U^c \subset S^c$ , i.e.  $S \subset \cap \{U : U^c \in \mathcal{B}_m\}$ . This means that the collection  $\{\cap \mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is indeed a  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $Y$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a subset of  $2^X$  and let  $S \in Cl_{\Delta^+}(\mathcal{A} \setminus \{S\})$ . Then  $S^c$  is an open subset of  $X$  and the family  $\mathcal{U} \equiv \mathcal{A}^c := \{A^c : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$  is an open  $\Delta$ -cover of  $S^c$ . Apply (2) to the set  $S^c$  and its  $\Delta$ -cover  $\mathcal{U}$  and choose infinite sets  $\mathcal{U}_n \subset \mathcal{U}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that the family  $\{\cap \mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a  $\Sigma$ -cover of  $S^c$ . Put for each  $n$

$$\mathcal{A}_n = \{U^c : U \in \mathcal{U}_n\}.$$

Then each  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is an infinite subset of  $\mathcal{A}$ . We prove that the collection  $\{\mathcal{A}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a  $\pi$ -network at  $S \in (2^X, \Sigma^+)$ .

Let  $(E^c)^+$ ,  $E \subset X$  and  $E \in \Sigma$ , be a  $\Sigma^+$ -neighborhood of  $S$ . Then  $S \subset E^c$  implies  $E \subset S^c$  so that there is some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $E \subset \cap \mathcal{U}_i$ . Further we have  $\mathcal{A}_i \subset (E^c)^+$ , i.e. (1) holds.  $\square$

As consequences of this theorem we obtain the following two results.

**Corollary 9.** *For a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, \mathbb{Z}^+)$  has the Pytkeev property;
- (2) For each open set  $Y \subset X$  and each  $\omega$ -cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $Y$  there is a sequence  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of infinite countable subsets of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $\{\cap \mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an (not necessarily open)  $\omega$ -cover of  $Y$ .

**Corollary 10.** *For a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(2^X, \mathbb{F}^+)$  has the Pytkeev property;
- (2) For each open set  $Y \subset X$  and each  $k$ -cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $Y$  there is a sequence  $(\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of countable infinite subsets of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $\{\cap \mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a (not necessarily open)  $k$ -cover of  $Y$ .

**Problem 11.** *If  $(2^X, \mathbb{F}^+)$  has the Pytkeev property, is  $(2^X, \mathbb{F}^+)$  sequential? What about  $(2^X, \mathbb{Z}^+)$ ?*

**Remark A** It is known that the space  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  is compact with no assumptions on  $X$  and that a Hausdorff space  $X$  is locally compact if and only if  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  is Hausdorff. According to a result from [18], each compact Hausdorff space of countable tightness is a Pytkeev space. On the other hand, in [12] (see also [4]) it was shown that for a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$  the tightness of  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  is countable if and only if  $X$  is hereditarily separable and hereditarily Lindelöf. So we have:

**Theorem 12.** *For a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$  the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  has countable tightness;
- (b)  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  has the Reznichenko property;
- (c)  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  has the Pytkeev property;
- (d)  $X$  is both hereditarily separable and hereditarily Lindelöf.

**Remark B** According to results from [3] and [7] one can suppose that in some models of ZFC (in which each compact Hausdorff space of countable tightness is sequential) we have: For a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$  each of the conditions (a)–(d) in the previous theorem is equivalent to the assertion  $(2^X, \mathbb{F})$  is a sequential space.

**Remark C** Let us consider a selective version of the Pytkeev property. Call a space  $X$  *selectively Pytkeev* if for each sequence  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  of subsets of  $X$  and each point  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{A_n \setminus \{x\}}$  there is an infinite family  $\{B_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of countable infinite sets which is a  $\pi$ -network at  $x$  and such that for each  $n$   $B_n \subset A_n$ . Then one can prove the statements similar to those in Theorem 8 and Corollaries 9 and 10.

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